

## Budget

- Quality vehicles; economy and compact cars, intermediate and four-wheel drives with air conditioning.
- Attractive daily & weekly rates.
- Free hotel pick up & drop off.
- Courteous on-time service.

**Offices at:**  
**Airport:** 5:00 am to 11:00 pm  
**Hotel:** 8:00 am to 8:00 pm  
**Camacuri:** 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

**Tel. 582-8600 • Fax. 582-7212**  
 E-mail: [budgetaruba@setar.net.aw](mailto:budgetaruba@setar.net.aw) - [www.budgetaruba.com](http://www.budgetaruba.com)

"AN INDEPENDENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED BUDGET SYSTEM LICENSEE"

## Cycling chiefs cast out Armstrong as ban confirmed



**AFP combination photo, made on June 14, 2012 shows seven file pictures (L to R, top to bottom) taken in 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000 and 1999 of US cyclist Lance Armstrong posing on the podium on the Champs-Elysees in Paris after winning the Tour de France cycling race and a picture taken in 2005 showing seven fingers (meaning seven victories) during the 92nd Tour de France.**

**Seven-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong yesterday was stripped of his record seven Tour de France titles and given a life ban, as cycling's world governing body said the US rider should be permanently erased from the sport's history for doping.**

**Armstrong's best finish on the Tour de France will now go down as 36th place after he was stripped of all results since 1998. He finished 36th overall in the world's biggest bike race in 1995 but was diagnosed with cancer the following year.**

**See story on pg 16**

## Government intent on reducing embargo on salaries

**ORANJESTAD --** The Aruba government is contemplating a change in the law to offer better protection of basic salary of families.

Currently the law allows a court order to deduct as much as 30% from the net income of an employee to cover an outstanding debt. In the event of a person earning minimum wages this amounts to almost Afls.500 that would be deducted in a court order. The government wants to limit the percentage that can legally be deducted to protect the basic income of a family.

The government wishes to propose a reduction in the percentage of an eventual embargo that can be levied of no more than 25% in general. And with respect to minimum wages, to reduce the percentage of an embargo to no more than 10%. The new law they want to introduce will specify that 90% of the minimum wage salary of a person must be protected from an embargo. In Dutch, this is referred to as the "beslagvrije voet" (the embargo limit). In Holland, they also have such an embargo

limit.

The salary embargo for child support (alimony) will remain unchanged. The new law they want to introduce will allow for an embargo of no more than Afls.150 per month on the minimum wage salary of an employee.

The government is convinced that it is not easy for a family to have 1/3 of their salary under an embargo. This creates an unjust situation for a family and makes it impossible for them to survive. Hence the reason for introducing a new limitation to protect the basic salary of the employee.

The Prime Minister explained that this new law must be introduced in our Civil Code. He intends to present this proposition in the next Social Dialogue. According to the Prime Minister, the right of a collector to request an embargo on an employee's salary will continue to exist, except there will be a new limitation as to how much can be levied. This way the salaries of families earning minimum wages will be better protected.

**!NOW OPEN!**  
**KFC @ Palm Beach**



  
 Where Every One is Welcome  
**COOL CASINO**  
**US\$ 10.00**  
**FREE promotion ticket**  
 This Voucher will be exchanged  
 for \$10 promotional  
 slot ticket at the Host desk  
 "For New Member Only"

Located within the RIU PALACE HOTEL  
 J.E. Irausquin BLVD.79 Palm Beach - PH.297.5280993. ext. 981



**Open Daily 8am - 10ish**  
**Breakfast 8am to 12pm**  
**Lunch/Dinner 12pm - 10ish**  
**phone number 586-3904**

**NOW Serving**  
**Breakfast**  
**lunch and dinner**  
**seven days**  
**a week.**

**free delivery in hotel area**  
**for orders over \$30,-**

**- All you can eat**  
**pancakes & coffee**  
**\$6.99**

**- 2 Eggs, Toast**  
**&**  
**Coffee \$3.99**

**Free Coffee**  
**Unlimited**  
**Refills with**  
**any**  
**Breakfast entree!**

**THE VILLAGE PLAZA**  
**(behind Senor Frog's)**

**5 Burgers Aruba**

**Burgers, Fries.. & More!**






## Aruba's Amigoe celebrates a golden anniversary



Mgr Sigrid Hammelburg and Jan Willem de Groot



Amigoe reporting and editorial staff

The Dutch newspaper Amigoe, originally published and distributed in Curacao over 100 years ago, is likely the longest established newspaper in the region. On Saturday evening, October 20, it officially celebrated 50 years on Aruba.

Paper Manager Sigrid Hammelburg and Sales Consultant Jan-Willem de Groot welcomed friends and colleagues of the paper along with island dignitaries for an elegant soiree at Aruba Surfside Marina Resort. Aruba's pre-



Andin Bikker checks out the anniversary issue

miere Dutch paper has been part of the community, starting with a small office on the Caya Betico Croes. They took up residence on the Vondellaan a few years ago, and expanded to online editions. The paper also publishes and distributes a Bonaire edition.

Ms. Hammelburg recited a brief history of the paper in her official welcome. A special 50th anniversary issue was distributed with extensive articles by noted island journalists Dilma Arends, Tito Lacle and "Speed" Andrade, of the vital role Amigoe has played in keeping islands informed.

The newspaper conducted a celebration contest where dedicated readers were required to answer some very challenging questions, resulting in five winners of a top of the line Android phone, an iPad and one-year and six-month subscriptions to the newspaper.

Staff and management of THE MORNING NEWS have a rousing "PABIEN!" for all their colleagues at Amigoe Aruba, may you have another 50 successful years of informing the community.

Rosalie Klein

## N.V. ELMAR and the UEA Union sign collective working agreement



Management of N.V. ELMAR and the board of the UEA Union last week reached agreement on the collective working agreement for employees of our national electricity distribution company. The terms of the current CWA would have expired in April 2013. The parties have agreed to extend the CWA to April 2016. With this new CWA, the company and union can expect 3 years of labor tranquility among employees working for N.V. ELMAR. Last Monday, the new contract was signed in the presence of UEA board, the management of N.V. ELMAR and the supervisory board of N.V. ELMAR.

After the signing of the CWA, Director of ELMAR, Ing. Robert Henriquez remarked that it took the input of all parties to have achieved the final product. Henriquez also indicated that they are looking toward the future, diversifying their portfolio as a company and that they are depending on their employees who will play an essential role in their future endeavors.



Representative of the UEA Union, Coby Geerman remarked that it was the first time in history that they agreed on a new CWA even before the current CWA had expired, which he said can serve as an example for other unions.

Director of N.V. ELMAR, Henriquez, emphasized that the vision of ELMAR is important when taking decisions and always bearing in mind that the company's primary objective is to serve the community with excellent service. N.V. ELMAR, he said, must continue to be the leader in the distribution of reliable electricity at an affordable price. They must do this well and create sustainable value for clients, employees, the community and their stakeholders.

**Sunday Balloon Raffle \$500,- Slot Tournament \$1000**  
**Monday Balloon Raffle \$500,- Earn DOUBLE POINTS all day**  
**Tuesday Balloon Raffle \$500,- Black Jack Tournament \$500**  
**Wednesday Balloon Raffle \$500,- Cool Casino - LADIES NIGHT**  
**Thursday Cash Raffle Awg 10.000,-**  
**Friday Balloon Raffle \$500,- Black Jack Tournament \$500 28th \$1000**  
**Saturday Balloon Raffle \$500,- Earn Triple POINTS all day 10 am-6 pm**



Where Every One is Welcome

Management reserves the right to discontinue this promotion at any time





# Tuesday

*Where Every One is Welcome*



## BLACK JACK \$500,- Tournament

**Star 7:30 PM**

# Balloon Raffle

# \$500

Located within the RIU PALACE HOTEL  
J.E. Irausquin BLVD.79 Palm Beach - PH.297.5280993. ext. 981

## 8th Annual Youth Dance Festival of NJ awards Aruba's Club di Movimiento



The Eighth Annual Youth Dance Festival of NJ was pleased to recognize the delegation from Aruba sent by Club di Movimiento during the annual competition conducted, October 6 and 7. Famed dancer and choreographer Leonid Kozlov, hosts the Festival each year attracting over 120 dancers for a weekend of competition, workshops, and performances.

Mr. Kozlov is also a part

time island resident donating his time to train island dancers and put on holiday productions. He was gratified to see the young dancers of Club di Movimiento awarded medals from an impartial panel of judges, along with Sofia Greenbaum, a frequent visitor to Aruba, who has performed for island audiences during the recitals staged by Mr. Kozlov.

Leonid Kozlov's career has spanned decades as principal dancer for the Bolshoi, Moscow and New York Ballet, as well as a leading role on Broadway in George Balanchine's production of "On Your Toes." He has dedicated the past 20 years to educating young dancers, sharing his knowledge and experience, while promoting dance and art in the community.

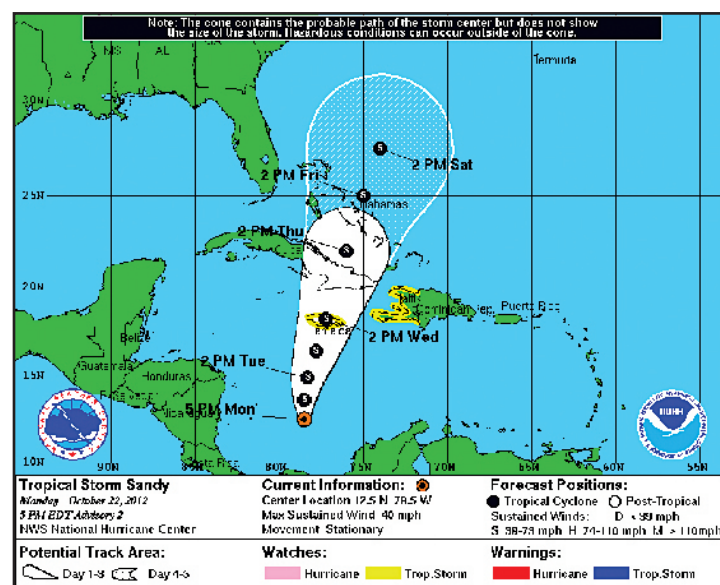
During this year's Youth Dance Festival, Jillian Oduber of Club di Movimiento received an Individual Achievement Award for her performance of "Funk Jazz". Club di Movimiento

received two third place trophies for their ensemble dances "Little Things Out of My Head" and "Progression by Number - nr1". Sofia Greenbaum, received her second gold medal, for her outstanding performances in a new work choreographed by Leonid Kozlov, "Impulse" and technical feats in "Diana & Acteon Pas de Deux."

*Continued on page 5*



## Tropical Storm Sandy forms south of Jamaica



MIAMI — Tropical Storm Sandy developed south of Jamaica yesterday, becoming the 18th named storm of a busy Atlantic season that has seen only two hurricanes make landfall.

Sandy currently has maximum sustained winds of 40 mph and is stationary several hundred miles south of Jamaica.

This storm is expected to slowly move north toward Ja-

maica on Wednesday. Jamaica and Haiti are currently on a tropical storm watch and are expecting heavy rains and possible mud slides.

As Sandy strengthened into a tropical storm in the Caribbean, a tropical depression formed far away in the Atlantic. It does not pose any threat to land, but could become a named storm. If it does, it would be Tony.



BRING THIS AD TO RECEIVE A FREE ORANGE JUICE

# Breakfast

MONDAY THRU SATURDAY 8-11 AM

2 EGGS (FRIED, SCRAMBLED OR POACHED)  
WITH BACON, AND LINK SAUSAGES.  
POTATOES, TOAST AND COFFEE OR TEA.**\$9.99**

Also open for

**Lunch**

Romancing the Stone at

**Le Petit  
Cafe**

Restaurant

**Dinner  
\$24.95**

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

Stone Grill Restaurant &amp; Bar Every Day From 5-7pm

Dinner Salad  
or  
Soup of the dayLemon chicken Breast  
or  
Petite Filet Mignon  
or  
Filet of GrouperIce Cream  
Chocolate  
or  
VanillaAll served with French Fries or  
Baked Potato on our Famous HOT StoneLOCATED AT:  
PLAYA LINDA  
BEACH RESORT  
TE: 586 4046

## Aqua Grill is offering tasty options for a unique holiday celebration

**Party Manager Peggy and Restaurant Manager Clark**

Island media was recently invited to sample a very tasty selection of special dishes created for this year's holiday parties by Aqua Grill. The famous seafood restaurant has put together some intriguing menus ideal for smaller companies and groups seeking an elegant venue for an end-of-the-year bash.

Seasonal celebrations can be quite a dilemma for party planners of smaller business ventures, where the employees just don't amount to the minimal number required by most catering venues. Aqua Grill is beautifully outfitted to hand 10 to 24 employees and management. The private party space has delightful island ambiance. Aqua Grill's chef has devised three tempting menus of three-course holiday dinners or luncheons, which they have labeled "silver, gold and platinum," to meet various budget requirements.

Media was treated to some excellent examples of Aqua Grill's chunky Chesapeake crab cakes, fresh salmon and tuna bites with delectable seasoning and sauces, and huge skewered shrimp in West Indian curry sauce. Other excellent choices for a holiday meal are Seared Chilean Bass, Blackened Cobia or Tripletail Filet, plus a selection of fine steaks or holiday ham and turkey for the landlubbers in the party.

Peggy Naverette Harms and Solange Croes are handling the holiday events for Aqua Grill. They can be contacted at 586-8191 or 586-5900 or via e-mail [peggy@aqua-grill.com](mailto:peggy@aqua-grill.com) or [solange@aqua-grill.com](mailto:solange@aqua-grill.com) to arrange a celebration that will tastefully bid farewell to 2012.

**Rosalie Klein****Swordfish steak****Fresh Crab cakes with mushroom sauce**

## The Casino at the Radisson awards winners with big jackpots

**Igor Zhivotinsky**

Lady Luck is definitely a regular at The Casino at the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa, where many lucky visitors have been walking away with major cash winnings.

The first to hit it big was Igor Zhivotinsky, who won an impressive jackpot of \$1,136,81 playing the Lightning Stacked 7's slot machine.

Then, Agnes Mattis knew she was in for a cash windfall after hitting a Royal Flush on the Poker slots, netting her a cool \$1,022,50.

By far, the biggest winner was Mr. Destefano, who only recently won a whopping \$4,000 on a poker slot!

**Agnes Mattis****Louis Destefano**

Even those who aren't hitting jackpots are walking away with cash winnings. After having introduced its popular Mystery Jackpots, hundreds of people have been surprised and delighted with their \$250 Mystery Jackpot prize, which can hit at any moment. All they had to do was play the slots with their Winners' Circle Card inserted in the machines.

Photos show the happy winners at The Casino at the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa.

## Terry and Stacey Martin honored by ATA at the Marriott Surf Club

Recently, the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure of honoring a very nice couple as Distinguished Visitors of Aruba. The honorees were Mr. Terry and Mrs. Stacey Martin from Panama City Beach Florida.

According to Terry and Stacey, they love Aruba very much, the friendly people, the nice warm climate, beautiful beaches, and this year is very special for them because they came to Aruba to celebrate their 20th anniversary.

The certificate was presented to them by Mr. Ernest



Giel representing the Aruba Tourism Authority together with Ms. Daniela Richardson representing the Marriott Surf

Club. Congratulations Terry and Stacey for your 20th wedding anniversary



## Bon Bini Festival is tonight



The weekly Bon Bini Festival takes place tonight at the Fort Zoutman in Wilhelminastraat. Bon Bini Festival is the only weekly folkloric event on the island. Come mingle with the locals and enjoy a taste of Aruban culture.

This week the festival will feature music by the traditional Aruba caha di orgel, folkloric music, dance performance and brass band.

During the festival there will be local food, sweets and traditional local arts and crafts on sale.

Arubus has regular busses from all hotels areas to Oranjestad Central Terminal, which is only a short walk from Fort Zoutman. Round trip bus fare is \$2.30. The festival is from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Entrance fee is \$5.

Come and experience a taste of our 'dushi' Aruba



# Gold Coast Aruba... A Place for You!



**Please call for a  
FREE pick-up!**

Open week days  
from 8am - 5pm.

Saturday and Sunday  
on appointment only.



**3 minutes drive to  
Arashi Beach**



**Across an 18-hole  
Golf Course**

## Luxury Villas, Town Homes & Condos

Contact us by email at [info@goldcoastaruba.com](mailto:info@goldcoastaruba.com)  
Tel: +297-586-2200 • Fax: +297-586-2201  
Toll Free from the U.S. 1-866-978-5770  
[www.goldcoastaruba.com](http://www.goldcoastaruba.com)

**PRICE STARTING FROM \$289,000**

Visit us for Your Island Dream Home Ownership  
Monthly Mortgage Payments  
starting from \$1,650



## 8th Annual Youth Dance Festival of NJ ...

*Continued from page 3*

Sofia will join Mr. Kozlov and his wife, Prima Ballerina Adriana, this upcoming holiday season for a full length staging of the famed seasonal classic "Nutcracker: ballet at Aruba's Cas di Cultura. Performances will be on Saturday, December 29, at 8pm and Sunday, December 30th at 4pm.

A special New Year's Gala performance will take place at the Occidental Grand

Aruba on January 1st at 9pm. Featured performers will include dancers from this US based Kozlov Dance International. Tickets for the performances are \$20 or 35 Aruban florins, and may be purchased at Cas di Cultura, Van Dorp Book Store (Caya Milio Croes) and at the Occidental Grand Aruba. Visit the website [www.dancearuba.com](http://www.dancearuba.com) for details and further information.

## Obama wins by a landslide in US kid's poll

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The youngsters of the United States have voted, the results are in - and it's a landslide victory for Barack Obama. Sixty-five percent picked the incumbent president, and 35 percent his Republican challenger Mitt Romney, in a bellwether online poll conducted by children's current affairs show "Nick News with Linda Ellerbee."

The outcome, released yesterday, will raise eyebrows because, for five out of the six previous US presidential elections, the viewers of "Nick

News" have correctly picked the winner several weeks before the actual vote.

In grown-up surveys, Obama and Romney have been running neck and neck.

"Obama won big," said "Nick News" anchor Ellerbee, who doubted that Romney's failure to join Obama in a "Nick News" election special a week ago on the Nickelodeon cable channel might have swayed the outcome.

"In 2004, when John Kerry refused to participate in the show, the kids still elected

Kerry," who went on to suffer defeat at the hands of George W. Bush, she told AFP.

More than 521,000 votes were cast over the past week, Ellerbee said, a significant reduction in turnout "because Nickelodeon fixed it this time so you couldn't vote more than once."

And while there was no way to guarantee that everyone who voted was under the legal voting age of 18, "it's safe to say the majority are kids," based on anecdotal evidence from previous years, she said.



Aruba's One And Only Department Store

# LA Linda N.V.

Mainstreet Downtown Aruba

**1 Floor**  
Menswear,  
boyswear and more

**2 Floor**  
Ladies, girls  
and baby wear

**3 Floor**  
Textile & notions,  
Article for kitchen,  
Bath and bedroom and more.

**4 Floor**  
Office, Luggages and  
sporting gear.  
Comming soon Cafetaria!



Samsonite

Best  
Brands  
Best  
PricesFor the  
Whole  
FamilyAruba's  
Biggest  
Store

Tel:5822120 Caya G.F Betico Croes 3 In the beginning of the mainstreet.

Mainstreet Downtown Aruba

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Gunman's wife among victims of US spa shooting

CHICAGO (AFP) - The estranged wife of a gunman who burst into a day spa and started shooting was among the three women he killed, officials said yesterday.

The suspect -- identified as 45-year-old Radcliffe Houghton -- was later found dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound at the scene in Brookfield, a suburb of the city of Milwaukee, police said.

The Waukesha County medical examiner's office identified Zina Houghton, 42, as being among the dead. Also killed were Cary Robuck, 35, and Maelyn Lind, 38.

Four other people were injured in Sunday's shooting.

Women who were trying to relax by getting massages and nail treatments instead ran for

their lives when the gunman entered the Azana spa, police said.

Clients stood dumbfounded in the parking lot in their white spa robes outside the locked-down crime scene, as police spent hours combing the large building, which had many small treatment rooms.

Police said Houghton's wife apparently wanted a divorce and he had slashed her car tires this month, prompting her to take out a restraining order against him.

The suspect's father, Radcliffe Houghton Sr., told TMJ4 News: "This is not the way I raised my son... My son is facing a domestic problem. Things happen, and some people cannot take it."



**CUBA, Habana:** Picture released yesterday on the internet site of Cubadebate shows Cuban revolutionary leader Fidel Castro holding the October 19 edition of the newspaper Granma in Habana. Fidel Castro has reappeared in public, meeting on October 21 at a Havana hotel with a Venezuelan politician -- quashing swirling rumors that the former leader was on his death bed. Castro, 86, who left power in a health crisis in 2006 after almost five decades at Cuba's helm, said US and international media had reported "the most singular garbage" about his health. "I can't recall when I last had a headache," he claimed. (AFP)

### European Jewish leader wants MEP Iran trip cancelled

BRUSSELS (AFP) - The head of the European Jewish Congress Moshe Kantor called yesterday for European Parliament members to cancel a visit to Iran which he suggested would bring "disgrace" to the EU, this year's Nobel Peace Prize laureate.

The visit "would send troubling messages to those groups inside and outside Iran who are risking so much in their fight for democracy, the rights of women and those of ethnic and religious minorities in Iran," Kantor said in a letter to parliament head Martin Schulz and party leaders.

### Russia criticises US over human rights

MOSCOW (AFP) - Russia has prepared a report on respect for human rights in the United States -- often critical of Moscow's record -- and found that the situation was not a "happy" one, the Russian foreign ministry said yesterday.

A hearing on the problems of US human rights took place yesterday in the Duma, lower house of parliament, with representatives of the Russian diplomatic corps, the ministry's statement said.

The diplomats stressed that "Washington's pretensions of being a leader in the defence of human rights and democratic values were not justified, especially taking into account the fact that the situation in this domain in the United States is far from being a happy one."

The ministry pointed to social inequality, racial, ethnic and religious discrimination, and the use of torture as some of the problems the diplomats listed.

ment head Martin Schulz and party leaders.

"Moreover, such a visit would bring disgrace not only on the delegation, but on the institution of the European Parliament itself," Kantor wrote.

The planned official parliamentary mission to Iran from October 27 to November 2 has sparked strong opposition, coming after a new package of even tougher EU sanctions on Tehran over its disputed nuclear program.

Iran would use such a visit "to show that the European Union is not serious in its policy of maintaining Iran as a pariah state," Kantor said.

Nine MEPs from all but one of the parliament's groups -- the eurosceptic right-wing al-

liance of European Conservatives and Reformists -- are planning to go on the visit, originally agreed in July, an official said last week.

The team will be headed by the president of the European Parliament-Iran group, Finland Greens MEP Tarja Cronberg.

The official said there was a "sharp" discussion on whether to go ahead with the visit but that leaders of the parliament's political groups finally had voted in favour.

The European Union last week imposed a tough package of sanctions against Iran, aiming to push global talks with Tehran on its contested nuclear program.

Both the parliament and the bloc are constant critics of the country's human rights record.

### Argentina calls for UN help over seized ship

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - Argentina's foreign minister yesterday called on the United Nations to help free a navy sailing ship seized in Ghana over an unpaid debt.

Foreign Minister Hector Timerman sought help from the UN Security Council and Secretary General Ban Ki-moon over the case of the ARA Libertad, a ship used for training and goodwill visits which has been held in a Ghana since October 2.

"Seizing a warship that has immunity under the law of the sea is a serious risk to all military ships sailing on oceans around the world," Timerman told reporters after his meetings.

"Ghana is smashing a law that guarantees the operation of military navigation," the minister added.

But the acting Security Council president, Gert Rosen- thal, Guatemala's UN ambas-

sador, said the 15-member body could not intervene in what was a legal dispute between two countries.

"I explained to the foreign minister, and he knows that the Security Council is concerned with the maintenance of global peace and security and that this case is not exactly threatening world peace," said Rosenthal.

Timerman went on to meetings with Ban, UN General Assembly president Vuk Jeremic and other reporters, handing over documents setting out Argentina's case that the ship seizure was "completely illegal".

The three-masted tall ship, which has a crew of 300, has been held near Accra since a Ghanaian court backed an order sought by a Cayman Islands investment fund which says it is owed more than \$370 million by the Argentine government.



# E di 11 campaña nacional di limpieza di nos COSTA y BEACHNAN

Diasabra 10 di November di 8.00 am - 11.00 am

Buscando: Boluntarionan pa yuda haci nos costa y beachnan limpi. Chauffeurnan cu pickup/4 wheeldriver/aanhangwagen pa yuda nos transporta e sushi.

ULTIMO DIA PA INSCRIBI TA DIABIERNA 26 DI OCTOBER.



Pa mas informacion por yama Vanessa of Nabila na  
AHATA 582- 2607 of via email [vanessa@ahata.com](mailto:vanessa@ahata.com)



Comision di Medio Ambiente



## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Report: World piracy down as Somali attacks fall

PARIS (AFP) - Sea piracy has fallen to its lowest level since 2008 as robust international action deters attacks from Somali pirates, but Somalia's waters remain extremely high-risk, a maritime watchdog said yesterday.

Acts of piracy and armed robbery at sea were down globally to 233 incidents so far this year, the lowest third-quarter total since 2008, the International Maritime Bureau (IMB) said in a report.

The number of ships signaling attacks by Somali pirates had also fallen to its lowest level since 2009, the report said, with only 70 attacks in the first nine months of the year, compared with 199 for the same period in 2011.

From July to September, only one ship reported an attempted attack by Somali pirates, compared with 36 incidents in the same three months of 2011.

The IMB said policing operations by international navies and boosting security onboard ships were increasingly deterring pirates.

"We welcome the successful robust targeting of Pirate Action Groups by international navies in the high-risk waters

off Somalia, ensuring these criminals are removed before they can threaten ships," the IMB's director, Captain Pottengal Mukundan, said in a statement.

"It's good news that hijackings are down, but there can be no room for complacency: these waters are still extremely high-risk and the naval presence must be maintained," he said.

Worldwide so far this year, pirates have killed at least six crew and taken 448 people hostage, the report said. The IMB recorded that 125 vessels were boarded, 24 hijacked and 26 fired upon.

The group noted that as of September 30, suspected Somali pirates were holding 11 vessels and 167 crew members hostage.

The report said that pirate attacks were rising in the Gulf of Guinea, with attacks pushing westward from Benin to neighbouring Togo, which reported more attacks this year than in the previous five years combined.

It also noted that Indonesia recorded 51 incidents in the first nine months of 2012, up from an annual total of 46 for last year.

### Clintons in Haiti to showcase industrial park

**CARACOL** Actor Sean Penn (L) listens at an investors' luncheon before the grand opening ceremony of the new Caracol Industrial Park in Caracol, Haiti, yesterday.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton encouraged foreigners to invest in Haiti as she and her husband Bill led a star-studded delegation gathered yesterday to inaugurate a new industrial park at the center of U.S. efforts to help the country rebuild after the 2010 earthquake.

Actors Sean Penn and Bill Stiller, fashion designer Donna Karan and British business magnate Richard Branson were among the



luminaries at the opening of the new Caracol Industrial Park, which is projected to create thousands

### 'Slim' hope of truce as fighting rages on Syria battlefields

DAMASCUS (AFP) - Hopes of a truce being implemented in war-torn Syria during this week's Muslim Eid holidays are "slim," the Arab League said yesterday, as rebels and troops engaged in fierce clashes in Damascus and on northern battlefields.

But the United Nations held on to the hope that the two warring sides will observe a truce during the four-day Eid al-Adha holiday which begins on Friday, saying it had plans to assemble a peacekeeping force if a ceasefire takes hold.

"We are getting ourselves ready to act if it is necessary and a mandate is approved," UN peacekeeping chief Herve Ladsous said in New York.

He warned, however, that the plans would need the approval of the 15-nation Security Council which has been divided on the 19-month conflict.

UN-Arab League peace envoy Lakhdar Brahimi said he contacted political opposition leaders inside and outside Syria and armed groups in the country and "found them to be very favourable" to the idea of a truce.

But Arab League deputy secretary general Ahmed Ben Helli dashed those hopes.

"Unfortunately, hope for

implementing the truce during Eid al-Adha is slim so far," he told AFP.

"The signs, both on the ground and by the government... do not point to the presence of any real will" to implement a truce.

In Damascus, two bombs exploded yesterday evening after a day of pitched battles between troops and rebels on the edge of the capital, in the northern city of Aleppo and in the northwestern rebel-held town of Maaret al-Numan.

The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said at least 84 people, including 22 civilians, were killed across the country, adding to a toll of more than 34,000 people killed since the anti-regime revolt erupted in March last year.

Brahimi said a temporary truce could be the first step to a more permanent peace, and has called on "every Syrian" to embrace a truce.

President Bashar al-Assad met Brahimi on Sunday and said he was "open to any sincere efforts seeking to find a

political solution to the crisis based on respecting Syria's sovereignty and rejecting any foreign interference."

As they met a bomb attack on Bab Touma, the main Christian quarter of Damascus, killed 13 people.

Assad's ruling party's mouthpiece, Al-Baath newspaper, said this was the rebel response to Brahimi's appeal for a truce.

In neighbouring Lebanon, fresh sectarian fighting erupted yesterday between opponents and supporters of the Syrian regime after Friday's killing of a top security official in a massive Beirut car bombing blamed on the Damascus government.

And on the Jordan border, a Jordanian soldier was killed before dawn in a clash with militants trying to enter Syria, Amman's information minister Samih Maaytah told AFP.

Brahimi has warned that the 19-month Syria conflict could spill over and set the region ablaze if no solution is found.

### Finnish PM unharmed by knife-wielding man at rally

HELSINKI (AFP) - A man wielding a knife in front of Finnish Prime Minister Jyrki Katainen was detained yesterday, the prime minister's office said in a statement.

"Prime Minister Jyrki Katainen is unharmed after his security personnel detained a person who brought a knife to Katainen's campaign event in Turku," said the statement.

Finnish police said in a statement that a man in his late twenties "caused a distur-

bance" at the campaign rally at 4:40 pm. "The man did not behave aggressively," it said.

Katainen, the country's prime minister since June last year and a staunch defender of the euro, had been discussing taxes on diesel and taxes paid by the elderly before the incident.

Finnis will be going to the polls on Sunday to vote in municipal elections. Campaigning has focused on unemployment, healthcare and taxes.



**Sasaki Apartments**

Fully furnished studio apartments, walking distance to Eagle Beach, per day, week or month, excellent alternative for your next vacation in Aruba.

**Bubali #143, Noord, Aruba**

**Phones: (297) 587-7482 / 587-6474 Fax: (297) 587-8448**

[www.sasaki-apartments.com](http://www.sasaki-apartments.com)

E-mail: [sasakiapartments@hotmail.com](mailto:sasakiapartments@hotmail.com)





### Lunch Buffet

Saturday - Sunday  
12:00 - 3 p.m.

### Dinner

Monday - Sunday  
6:00 - 11:00 p.m

Palm Beach Center - Palm Beach Aruba - Tel: 5860944

## German doctors warn against Internet trade in breast milk



BERLIN (AFP) - German pediatricians have warned new parents against obtaining breast milk to feed their babies via social networking sites such as Facebook, cautioning the milk could be harmful.

The Professional Association of Pediatricians said that although mothers milk was generally the best option for a newborn, mothers unable to breastfeed should not acquire it over the Internet.

"Donors can be taking medicines or drugs, have infectious illnesses like AIDS or Hepatitis," Wolfram Hartmann, president of the association, said in a written statement.

"Nobody can check whether the unknown mother's milk is harmless for the particular

child," he warned, adding that the milk's quality could also be affected during its transportation.

The warning follows a report by the online edition of German news weekly Der Spiegel and the association's own research, it said.

It also warned that a newborn's nutritional needs differed from those of a baby even of several weeks or months old.

"The milk of a woman who already has an older child does not contain the right nutrient composition for a newborn," it added and said women who were unable to breastfeed should use special powdered milk.

## Health & Living

### Boys hitting puberty up to two years earlier: study

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Boys in the US are hitting puberty as much as two years earlier than in previous decades, according to a new study out Saturday from the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The study suggests a well-documented trend seeing girls hit adolescence earlier than their historic counterparts has been mirrored among boys. However, the authors said the causes of change, or what it could mean for public health, remain unclear.

African-American boys were generally the earliest to start puberty, with boys as young as nine years old showing signs of maturation, according to data on more than 4,000 boys in 41 states, provided by their pediatricians' offices.

Non-Hispanic whites were next, with the average age of puberty onset coming at just over 10 years old, while Hispanic boys hit puberty on average a few months later, at



just under 10 and a half.

The ages were calculated based on when the pediatricians saw "stage two genital and pubic hair growth."

"Following changes in growth and development is an important part of assessing the health of the nation's children," said study author Marcia Herman-Giddens in a statement.

But this kind of data, laying out the ages that boys hit puberty in modern America, had previously been unavailable.

"All parents need to know whether their sons are maturing within the contemporary age range, but, until now, this has not been known for US boys," said Richard Wasserman, director of the AAP's practice-based research network.

The study, to be printed in next month's edition of the journal "Pediatrics" was put online Saturday to coincide with an AAP conference in New Orleans.

## Second to US in obesity, Mexico wants kids to slim down

MEXICO CITY (AFP) - Mexico, second in obesity in the world after the United States, wants its children to cut down on the soft drinks and fatty foods that have made them the chubbiest kids in Latin America.

Worried about the growing waistlines in schools, the public education ministry has launched a campaign to encourage youngsters to change their eating habits.

Mexicans are the world champions in soft drink consumption, guzzling down 163 liters (43 gallons) of sweet bubbly drinks per capita every year, according to Consumer Power, an independent organization.

Food stands are everywhere on Mexican streets, dishing out handfuls of greasy tacos for just \$1, while ambulant vendors wait outside schools to sell cheap tamales or tortas (sandwiches) to hungry students.

To nutritionist Tamara Vera, Mexico suffers from "bad nutrition and bad habits like a lack of exercise, a lack of water consumption and too much grease and sugar."

The education ministry, with the help of various embassies, led a campaign called "The Week of Taste" in 124 schools this week to teach children better eating habits.



The masked and muscular stars from the country's ultra-popular Lucha Libre, or professional wrestling, circuit have been recruited by the government to help drill new eating habits into people's consciousness.

But Education Minister Jose Angel Cordova warned that it would take time to reduce child obesity, stressing that a "new culture" must be instilled in families and Mex-

ican society at large.

In Mexico, 30 percent of adults are obese compared to 33.8 percent in world leader the United States, according to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

Mexico ranks fourth in the world in child obesity after Greece, the United States and Italy, the OECD says, citing the International Association for the Study of Obesity.



...connecting with you

WWW.REXARUBA.COM



73 Fully furnished apts. Kitchen / Airco / Cable TV  
Free Internet / Library / Swimming Pool / Laundry / Fitness Room  
Less than 1 mile from Eagle Beach! Feel free to contact or visit us.  
Mon - Fri: 8am-7pm. Sat&Sun: 9am-5pm  
Tel: (297) 582-0697 / 583-7484 Fax: 583-5203  
E-mail: quality@setarnet.aw - Website: www.arubaqualityapartments.com



## Sci-Tech

### Italy scientists sentenced to jail in quake trial



L'AQUILA (AFP) - Six Italian scientists and a government official were sentenced to six years in jail on Monday for multiple manslaughter in a watershed ruling that found them guilty of underestimating the risks of a killer earthquake in 2009.

They were also ordered to pay more than nine million euros (almost \$12 million) in damages to survivors in the devastated medieval town of L'Aquila in a case that has sparked outrage in the international science community.

Seismologists in Italy and beyond were horrified by the unprecedented sentence and argued that all science was being put on trial.

Under the Italian justice system, the seven remain free until they have exhausted two chances to appeal the verdict.

Prosecutor Fabio Picuti had asked for jail sentences of four years for each defendant for failing to alert the population of the walled medieval town to the risks, days before the 6.3-magnitude quake that killed 309 people.

"I am crestfallen, desperate. I thought I would be acquitted. I still don't understand what I'm accused of," said Enzo Boschi, who was the head of Italy's national geophysics institute (INGV) at the time.

All seven defendants were members of the Major Risks Committee which met in L'Aquila on March 31, 2009 - six days before the quake devastated the region, tearing down houses and churches and leaving thousands of people homeless.

Picuti had slammed the experts for providing "an incomplete, inept, unsuitable and criminally mistaken" analysis, which reassured locals and led many to stay indoors when the first tremors hit.

"This is a historic sentence, above all for the victims," said

lawyer Wania della Vigna, who represents 11 plaintiffs, including the family of an Israeli student who died when a student residence collapsed on top of him.

Some commentators had warned that any convictions would dissuade other experts from sharing their expertise for fear of legal retribution.

### US scientists report whale making human voice sounds



WASHINGTON (AFP) - US marine biologists puzzled by human-like sounds coming from the whale and dolphin tank of an aquarium concluded they were actually coming from a whale.

Anecdotal reports of whales sounding like people are not new. But in this case in San Diego, California, scientists for the first time recorded the utterances, did an acoustic analysis and were surprised to find a rhythm similar to that of human speech, Sam Ridgway of the National Marine Mammal Foundation reported Monday.

The sounds marked quite a feat: whales make sounds via their nasal tract, unlike people, who use their larynx. So this particular white whale had to make some tricky muscular and blowhole adjustments.

"Such obvious effort suggests motivation for contact," said Ridgway, the main author



**UNICASA**  
Supermarket

**PALM BEACH # 184**  
**TEI: (297) 586-8540**

Next to  
Grand Victoria Bar & Restaurant  
Close to the traffic lights  
and high rise hotel area.

**Opening hours:**  
**Monday - Saturday 8a.m. - 12midnight / Sunday 8a.m. - 10p.m**



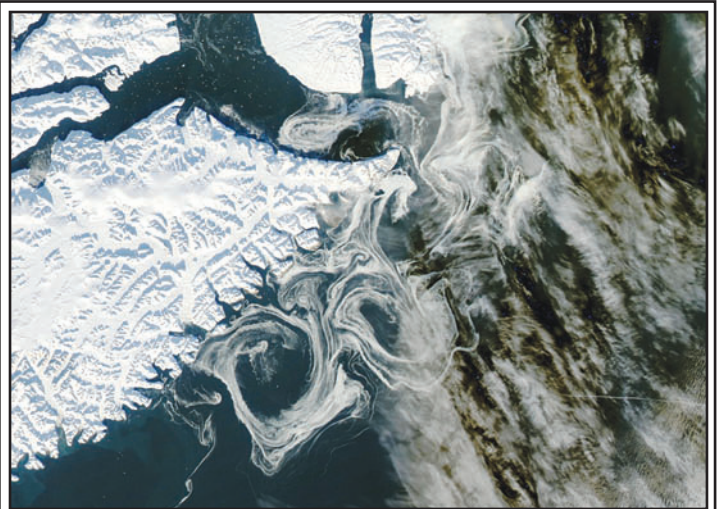
**BEST PRICES ON THE ISLAND**

**WE OFFER QUALITY EXCELLENT SERVICE, A WIDE VARIETY OF LIQUORS AND WINES AND MUCH MORE**

### Nissan Altima Sedans Recalled



Nissan is recalling 13,919 new and near-new Altima sedans because some bolts may not be tighten enough, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration announced. The error in the 2012 and 2013 Altimas could have serious consequences. If the nuts loosen and fall off, the vehicle could veer out of control and crash, NHTSA warns in the recall notice. The NHTSA said that owners of Altima sedans will need to bring their vehicles to Nissan dealerships so the bolts can be properly torqued to specifications.



-- (AFP) This image obtained on October 22, 2012 shows what the MODIS instrument on NASA's Aqua satellite captured in this visible image of Sea Ice off eastern Greenland on October 16, 2012



## COMICS

## PICKLES



## MOMMA



## CALVIN and HOBBS



## CROSSWORD



## CROSSWORD

FREE Coverage on our website:

www.themorningnewsaruba.com

## GOURMET GALS

## ACROSS

1. French dynast
6. Thick piece
10. Jerry Herman's auntie
14. Vital
15. Author Caleb
16. Ireland, in poems
17. Change to 0000
18. Lab burner
19. Lively air
20. Gibson garnish
22. Well: prefix
23. Divided fairly
24. Antique shop owner
26. Birdie or blackbird lead-in
30. "\_\_\_, stage left" (Snagglepuss's phrase)

## DOWN

31. Eye maliciously
32. Part of ROM
35. Tutu's prize
39. George Jetson's son
41. GI's hangout
42. Premature
43. \_\_\_ hot and cold (fluctuates)
44. Vishnu incarnation
46. Part of a Midwest vista
47. Biblical mountain
49. DC hero
51. Resonance
54. Evening, in Paris
56. "Tell Me \_\_\_" (Janie Fricke)
57. Spicy cookie
63. Ils \_\_\_ (they are, in Paris)
64. London

## ACROSS

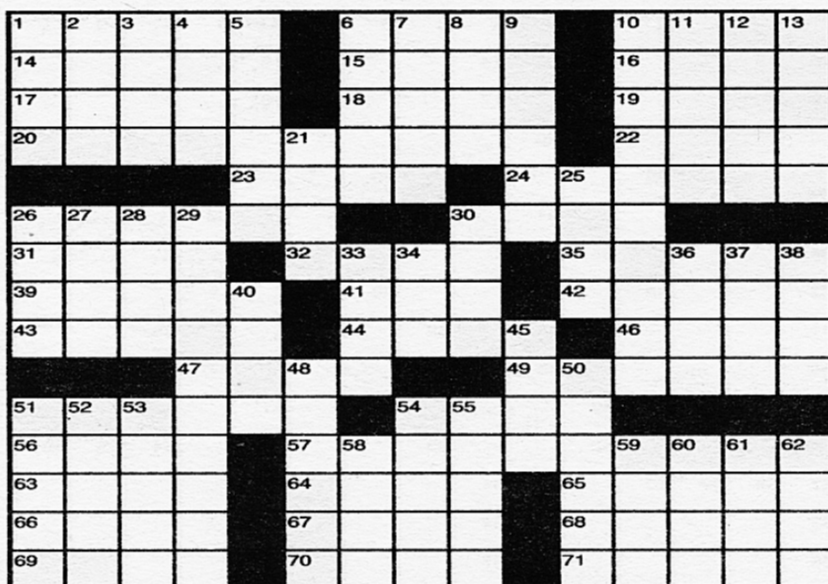
65. Ravenna's place
66. Vexed state
67. Malarial fever
68. Skywalker's father
69. "\_\_\_ Street" ("Annie" song)
70. Falls into ruin
71. Obliterate

## DOWN

1. Food fish
2. Nautical word
3. Leaning Tower of \_\_\_
4. For all time
5. Salada competitor
6. Play part
7. Language of Cicero
8. German poet Holz

## ACROSS

9. Product used for dingy laundry
10. Crisp cracker
11. Shake-spearean spirit
12. "Now We Are Six" author
13. Script instruction
21. Beyond
25. Freud's article
26. Bubble
27. Megaphone noise
28. Architect Saarinen
29. Baked dessert
30. Ancient Dead Sea kingdom
33. Prefix for bond or dollar
34. Gentle \_\_\_ lamb
36. Cup edge
37. Actress Raines
38. French city
40. Belgian waterway
45. Agent of the comics
48. Mendicant
50. Make an entrance
51. Demi-\_\_\_
52. Actress Massey
53. Short skirts, for short
54. Tapir's salient feature
55. Eyes inappropriately
58. He incited Othello
59. Constellation part
60. It's nothing, to Pedro
61. Bath suds
62. Wood heap



## BOTICA

## DRUG STORES OPEN AFTER HOURS

OCT 20 - OCT 27

O'stad : ' Botica Oduber N.V. ' - S.N : ' San Lucas N.V. '

## Center for Hemodialysis

Posada Clinic Aruba  
Tel. 580-2840/Pager 127-2446

## INFORMATION

Telephone 118

## Twelve Step Meetings

24 hours helpline 583-8989

## Fellowship Clinic S.N.

Free treatment of  
Alcoholism  
and Drug Addiction  
Anonymity guaranteed  
Tel. 584-5440

## SOS TELEAYUDO SOS

Telephone Helpline  
583-1190  
Mon.-Thu. 9 p.m.-12 midn.  
Fri.-Sun. 9 p.m.-2 a.m.

## CAS MARIE

Alzheimer's Day  
Care Center  
Tel: 5696910Important  
Telephone  
Numbers

## HOSPITAL

Horacio Oduber Hospital  
Tel. 587-4300

## EMERGENCY

Telephone 911  
POLICE HDQS  
Telephone 100

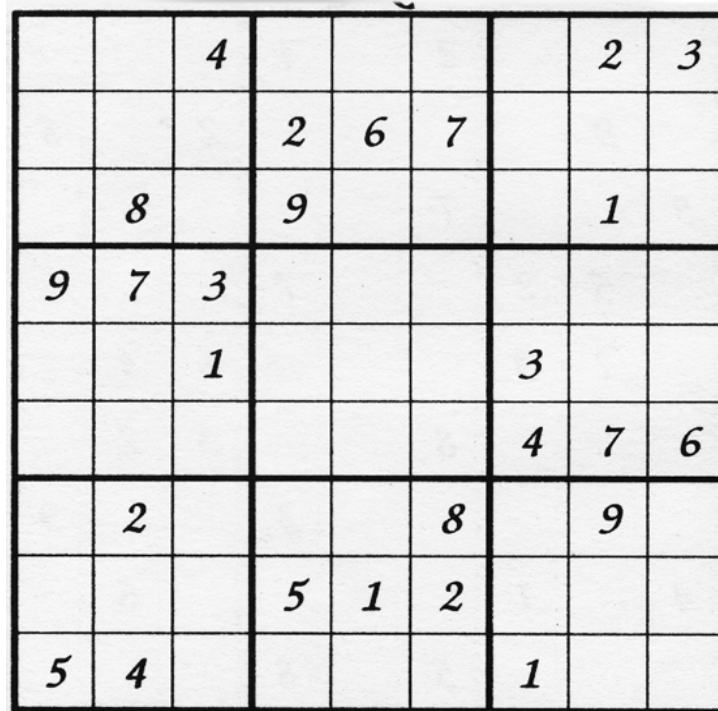
## TAXI

C.V. TAS  
587-1998, 587-5900  
In Oranjestad:  
Tel. 582-2116, 582-1604  
582-5447  
In San Nicolas  
Tel. 584-5160, 584-6602  
professional taxi services  
Tel. 588-0035

## Al Anon Meetings

Mondays 6-7pm  
Sabana Liber 8 in Noord  
Tel: 5673356 / 5838989

## Sudoku




## SOLUTION

2	8	1	6	9	8	7	5	3
4	9	8	2	1	5	6	3	7
7	6	5	8	7	9	2	1	4
9	7	3	4	6	1	2	5	8
6	8	5	2	7	1	9	4	3
1	5	2	9	8	7	6	3	4
5	1	9	4	6	7	8	2	3
8	7	6	9	2	5	1	4	3
3	2	7	1	5	8	4	6	9

Complete the grid so that every row and every column contains the numbers 1 through 9  
A number is Never repeated in a row or column.  
In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9





**Taj Mahal**  
Taste of India

Authentic Indian Restaurant  
on the Island

Open Mon - Sat  
Lunch : 12:00 - 3:00pm  
Dinner : 6:00 - 10:00 pm

Havenstraat 36,  
Behind Royal Plaza Mall,  
Oranjestad, Tel : 5884494

### MONDAY'S Crossword Answer

POL AKC GHOUL  
OPERA MIR RAISE  
KORAN ENE ALLEN  
SOUNDING OFF  
GOOD LATERAL  
CEDE WIPED VERA  
ALE DANA RESTS  
SINGING THE BLUES  
ACORN TAXI MRE  
LITE PAINT REYS  
STEWART DREE  
BELL YACHING  
OHARA ELM LIVRE  
DALES RDA AREAL  
SWIPE SSN TES

## FedEx to hire 20,000 temps for holiday season

NEW YORK (AFP) - FedEx, a leading US package delivery company, said yesterday it would hire 20,000 temporary workers to help handle surging shipments during the year-end holiday season.


FedEx Corp. predicted its biggest day of the year would be December 10, when they expect to handle a record 19 million shipments, up 10 percent from a year ago, driven by online orders.

For the overall holiday season between Thanksgiving and Christmas, FedEx forecasted it would handle more than 280 million shipments worldwide, 13 percent more than in the same period in 2011.

The company, based in Memphis, Tennessee, has a global workforce of more than 300,000 employees.

On October 10 FedEx announced it was planning to cut "several thousand" people from its workforce via a voluntary departure program beginning early next year.

The cuts are part of a cost-reduction plan aimed at boosting profits by \$1.7 billion by 2016.



**Daily Exchange Rates**

Current as of: 10/22/2012

Currency Code	Buying rate banknotes	Buying Cheques	Selling Rate
U.S.A. USD	1.77	1.78	1.80
Dutch Antilles ANG	98.00	100.00	100.20
Canada CAD	1.77	1.79	1.81
Britain GBP	2.79	2.84	2.90
Switzerland CHF	192.17	192.89	193.69
Netherlands EUR	230.55	232.66	235.00
Sweden SEK	26.09	26.81	27.61
Denmark DKK	30.23	30.95	31.75
Norway NOK	30.54	31.26	32.06
Japan JPY	221.11	223.13	225.37

(per 10,000)

All rates for amounts up to AWG 100,00 per item.

## Finance

## US-Panama free accord in force end of October

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A free trade accord between the United States and Panama will take effect at the end of this month, the countries announced yesterday.

They exchanged formal notices, which was the last requirement for the agreement to kick in.

"Under this comprehensive agreement, Panama will eliminate tariffs and other barriers to US exports, which will promote economic growth, and expand trade between our two countries," US Trade Representative Ron Kirk said.

The announcement came just weeks after Panamanian President Ricardo Martinelli signed law into legislation that protects intellectual property and patents and creates conflict-resolution mechanisms. These were necessary for there to be a free-trade accord with the United States.

The US Congress approved the accord back in October

2011, along with US agreements with Colombia and South Korea.

The one with Panama had been due to take effect at the start of the month, but was held up until Panama promulgated the intellectual property protection and other laws.

The accord, originally negotiated in 2007, will allow US products such as rice and sugar to enter the Panamanian market with gradually reduced tariffs. This has alarmed Panamanian producers of these goods.

Panama is attractive to the United States because of its strategic location and the ongoing enlargement of the Panama Canal, through which two-thirds of US trade passes.

Sales of US goods to Panama in 2010 totaled more than \$8.2 billion. Under the new accord, the United States sees this figure rising to more than \$20 billion.



**SYDNEY** - Yesterday, Australia cut its growth and budget surplus forecasts as worsening global conditions hurt revenues in the mining-driven economy. Treasurer Wayne Swan said real GDP was forecast to grow at around 3.0 per cent in the 2012-13 and 2013-14 financial years - a downgrade of 0.25 of a percentage point for fiscal 2012-13 since budget figures were released in May. Mr Swan said Australia, which avoided recession during the global financial crisis, remained on track to return to a modest surplus ahead of all the other major advanced economies.

## Arctic allure fades for oil companies

OSLO (AFP) - The agreement between BP and Russian oil giant Rosneft announced yesterday is said to give the British group a firm foothold in the Arctic, a region often hailed as a new frontier for oil and gas companies.

But the allure has faded with the rise of cheaper energy sources such as shale gas.

BP plans to sell its share in the Russian joint venture TNK-BP to Rosneft in return for \$17.1 billion and an additional 12.84 percent stake in Rosneft, a state-owned firm.

Analysts said the deal would allow the British oil major to revive its stalled efforts in the Arctic, after a tie-up with Rosneft last year was blocked by BP's Russian partners in TNK-BP.

Interest in the region surged in 2008, when the US Geological Survey (USGS) estimated that it could hold 22 percent of the world's undiscovered oil and natural gas resources. Since then, in-

terest has waned somewhat however.

In the far north, a region watched closely by environmental activists, most deposits are offshore, far from land and infrastructure. Conditions are often extreme, with dark winter months and drifting icebergs making exploration more expensive and drilling seasons shorter.

Total has tread carefully, sticking to onshore operations or to ice-free waters such as the Barents Sea.

Other companies have been more active, including Norway's Statoil, one of the groups Rosneft turned to, or the US group ExxonMobil and Eni of Italy.

The Norwegian firm has ventured into so-called intermediate waters, where they could be faced with drifting ice.

Anglo-Dutch giant Shell has postponed drilling campaigns in northern Alaska due to stringent technological requirements prompted by environmental concerns.

## Economy is dominant issue for Americans as election nears



The "economy in general" ranks No. 1 on Gallup's Most Important Problem list in October. More than one in three Americans (37%) name the "economy in general" as the most important problem facing the country. Seventy-two percent cite at least one economic issue -- on par with the 69% prior to the 2008 election.



## Chavez should start preparing succession: Lula



BUENOS AIRES (AFP) - Hugo Chavez, in power in Venezuela for nearly 14 years and fresh from winning a new term, should start preparing his succession, former Brazilian president Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva said.

"I have no influence in Venezuela. There was an election in Venezuela, in which two people ran, and I thought Chavez would be better for Venezuela," said Lula, the respected former leftist presi-

dent of Latin America's largest economy, an interview published in the La Nacion newspaper.

"I also think that my colleague Chavez should begin to prepare his succession," the burly former union leader said.

Chavez was re-elected to a third term on October 7 by a comfortable margin.

Lula, who served from 2003 to 2010, said "democracy means rotating power,

not just in terms of people but rather sectors of society."

Still, Lula praised Chavez's performance, saying both Venezuela and South America have gained a lot thanks to him.

Lula was in Argentina for meetings with President Cristina Kirchner and to attend a business conference.

## Pippa Middleton launches book, says attention 'startling'



LONDON (AFP) - Kate Middleton's younger sister Pippa describes her stardom -- and the attention paid to her behind -- after last year's royal wedding as "startling", in a book to be released this month.

"It is a bit startling to achieve global recognition (if that's the right word) before the age of 30 on account of your sister, your brother-in-law and your bottom," Pippa Middleton wrote in extracts released to the press.

The 29-year-old party planner, sister of Kate, who is known since her marriage to Prince William as Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge, will provide a "comprehensive guide to home entertaining" in "Celebrate: A Year of British Festivities for Families and Friends".

The book is inspired by Middleton's experience with her family's party planning company, and her work with a London-based events company.

Last year it was reported that Middleton, who has previously written the online newsletter for her family's company, secured a £400,000 (\$640,000, 490,000 euro) deal for the home entertaining book with a publisher.

Photographs from her book show Pippa alongside seasonal Halloween recipes, like a lollipop-studded pumpkin and a worm-ridden jelly bowl.

## Eat like a local at The Queen's restaurant at Palm Beach Plaza



Varella, Luisa and the next generation of chef



Keshi Yena with plaintains, vegetables and pica

An elegant décor with a breezy terrace overlooking Palm Beach welcomes guests to Varella Innocencia's very popular restaurant showcasing authentic local cuisine:

### The Queen's.

They may have moved from Oranjestad to hipper new digs in Palm Beach Plaza, but the food and prices are strictly native, which is what first won this charming eatery their loyal clientele. Varella's mom, Luisa, is still in the kitchen, conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generations, acknowledged on the menu with items such as "Carni Stoba di Mamachi" - "Grandma's Beef Stew," and their Arawak Steak, along with local delicacies like Keshi Yena - "Full Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted Gouda. It was very satisfying and particularly memorable paired with The Queen's garlic bread and very special Pica, a mix of chopped onions and the famous local hot pepper, Madame Janette. Not overly spicy, it lends that perfect bit of tang to this deliciously picturesque meal.

One of the distinctions of Aruban cuisine is incorporating unique indigenous ingredients such as in Wild Cucumber Stew and a particular light fish chowder accompanied by the local specialties pan bati (corn meal pancake) and funchi (the local version of polenta.)

Seafood main courses for Catch of the Day Aruban Style to shrimp and a mixed seafood platter with shrimp, fish, squid, scallops and mussels. Meat dishes such as BBQ Chicken and Ribs or Grilled Tenderloin, each including a choice of 2 side dishes; all quite yummy and bargain-priced to boot!

The Queen's is located on the second level of Palm Beach Plaza, tucked into a cozy corner at the front of the mall. If you have a mind to try the real deal in Aruban food, without a doubt, this is the way to truly eat like a local. They are open from 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM, daily, offering indoor and outdoor dining. Aside from an extensive menu they also have daily specials made from whatever is in season and Mama Luisa is in the mood to prepare, so don't forget to ask about what isn't on the menu!



AMRITSAR (AFP): An Indian girl holds candles during the Kanjak Pooja during Navratri at a temple in Amritsar on October 22, 2012. Held at the end of the Navratri festival, Dussehra symbolises the victory of good over evil in Hindu mythology. On the night of Dussehra, fire-crackers and stuffed effigies of Ravana are set alight in open grounds across the country



ISLAMABAD (AFP) : Pakistani livestock traders unload sheep at an animal market set up for the forthcoming sacrificial Eid Al-Adha festival in Islamabad on October 22, 2012. Eid al-Adha, or the Feast of Sacrifice, honours Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his son Ishmael on the order of God, who according to tradition then provided a lamb in the boy's place.



# Bon Dia and Welcome to Aruba!

Whether you're a first time visitor to the island, or you vacation with us every year we invite you to enjoy one of the most memorable vacation destinations of your life. We know, we're Divi Resorts and Aruba has been our home for over 40 years.

Divi Resorts has 5 resorts in Aruba, in addition to The Links at Divi Aruba golf course, and the Alhambra Casino. For years we've offered high quality all inclusive and timeshare vacations; and over 40,000 members actively participate in the Divi Vacation Ownership Program.

Many of our guests have found that one vacation to Aruba per year is simply not enough! Our solution: The Residences at Divi Village Golf & Beach Resort.

The Residences are luxury full ownership condominiums nestled within the lush greens of The Links at Divi Aruba golf course.

## Make Aruba your second home! Condominiums from the \$300s.

You can now purchase your own condominium and still enjoy the resort amenities of the Divi collection.

For more information about The Residences, visit our sales office located in the golf clubhouse at the Divi Village Golf & Beach Resort.

For questions or to schedule your appointment to view a condominium, contact sales director John Kelly at (297) 583-9971 or email: [sales@diviarubaresidences.com](mailto:sales@diviarubaresidences.com)

We hope you will soon call Aruba home!



**FREE CAR**  
Limited time:  
Eco-friendly electric car  
for every residences owner



## AMENITIES:

- Covered parking space with electrical outlet
- Radio phone to call for transportation
- Complimentary shuttle to beach, restaurants, and the Alhambra Casino and Mall
- Membership with RCI vacation exchange program
- Complimentary use of fitness center
- Complimentary use of beach chairs
- Beach towels service
- 24/7 Security
- Garbage collection
- Green keeping
- Condo Liaison on duty
- Discounted green fees
- Complimentary use of driving range
- Preferred tee times
- Divi managed rental program
- 24/7 availability of front desk, maintenance and housekeeping services
- Complimentary use of all amenities at Divi Village
- Reduced pricing on all inclusive option at Divi and Tamarijn Aruba All Inclusives.



## 5 Burgers Aruba: Now your best breakfast bargain!



A favorite stop for a great burger for lunch or dinner has just expanded their hours and menu to offer some of the best breakfast bargains to be found in Palm Beach. Owners Aaron and Rosie Walisever are living their dream: a home on paradise while welcoming all and sundry to their proud undertaking, 5 Burgers Aruba. The couple's fanatical dedication to giving their customers what they really want has resulted in a unique menu from an inter-

nationally known franchise with a "5", which now includes breakfast.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy,

made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

However, beginning at 7 a.m., patrons can now order 2 eggs any style, (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) toast and coffee with unlimited refills for the special introductory price of only \$3.99, (\$4.49 with bacon) or All-you-can-eat pancakes, for \$6.99, again, with free refills on fresh coffee. Breakfast is served until 11 a.m. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie; so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (al-



most 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with Aarons' secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jala-peño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.

5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by

two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

Try them the English way-with vinegar, and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gourmet cheeseburger.

5 Burgers is now open early until 10-ish at night; delivery is available to both the high-rise and low-rise hotel and beach district at now extra cost for orders over \$50. Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner to sit and chat, sharing their knowledge of the island while making sure patrons are happy with their meal.



See It Live!  
On Stage

**ADAM STEINFELD**

MAGIC COMEDY MAGIC LIVE!

AWARDED: **BEST INTERNATIONAL MAGIC SHOW!**  
by the 7th annual: the Premios Magica, de Cometa Magico In Buenos Aires, Argentina

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

LAUGH IT UP!



MagicLive.com  
MAGIC  
LAUGHTER  
STARS  
SHOW

GROUP SALES (297) 561-1090

SHOWTIME  
**9 PM NIGHTLY**  
at the **WESTIN**  
THEATER OF ILLUSIONS  
SHOWROOM

TICKETS AT THE DOOR

**ALL SEATS**  
**\$25.00**

**THE WESTIN**  
RESORT & CASINO  
ARUBA

## SPORTS

### Football: Germany's Loew admits mistakes in Sweden draw

BERLIN (AFP) - Germany coach Joachim Loew has admitted making mistakes during his team's 4-4 draw with Sweden in last week's World Cup qualifier after the Germans threw away a four-goal lead.

Germany were 4-0 up at Berlin's Olympic Stadium with more than an hour played before the hosts' defence folded in the final 30 minutes as Sweden roared back to claim a point last Tuesday.

Midfielder Rasmus Elm wrote himself into Swedish football folklore with the dramatic right-footed equaliser in the 93rd minute to leave Swe-

den second in Group C, three points behind leaders Germany, but with a game in hand.

It was the first time in the 104-year history of the German Football Federation (DFB) that a four-goal lead has been surrendered and the first time in three years Germany had dropped points in a qualifying match.

Loew, whose team face the Netherlands in a friendly in Amsterdam next month, admits he could have done better and can understand criticism levelled at him.

"Of course I can, absolutely," Loew said in an interview with SID, an AFP subsidiary. "I also couldn't believe the game was turning. 'Maybe I could have sent out a signal by making a substitution, with a defensive man who could have provided some relief to the team.'

With debate now raging in Germany as to what went wrong, Loew said he could understand the criticism because he was "also stung" by the draw.

The head coach said he is convinced Germany will emerge stronger from the experience.

"We will grow from this situation and it won't happen again, of that I am certain.

"I expect, and I also have to look at myself, that we work on solutions so that we don't get into a situation like that again."

### Tennis: Federer opens bid for sixth title with win

BASEL (AFP) - Roger Federer began his bid for a sixth title at the Swiss Indoors by beating substitute opponent Benjamin Becker 7-5, 6-3 on Monday to reach the second round.

The German ranked 83rd with one career title had replaced injured Frenchman Jeremy Chardy as the first opponent for the Swiss home hero and world number one.

Federer, who has won five of the last six editions at the St Jakobshalle where he got his start in tennis as a ballboy at the tournament almost two decades ago, needed to work to get past the persistent Becker, whom he beat in their last two meetings, the last in 2010.

The winner advanced in just under 90 minutes after a first set which took an hour and fired 10 aces in victory.

But the Swiss didn't have it all his own way, missing on six break points in the opening set and going down a break in the second before finally settling in, taking charge and running out the winner.

Federer's win was his 65th of the season against nine losses. He owns an ATP-leading six titles in 2012.

Federer is making his 13th appearance in his hometown tournament and now stands 44-7 at the event. Besides his five titles he also played finals in 2000-01 and 2009.

The winner will await an opponent from Brazilian Tomaz Bellucci, finalist at the weekend in Moscow, and Japan's Go Soeda.

### NFL: Pats edge Jets in overtime to lead division

FOXBORO (AFP) - The New England Patriots squandered a double-digit lead but beat the New York Jets in overtime Sunday to seize the lead in the NFL's AFC East division.

New England's Stephen Gostkowski booted a field goal in overtime, then defender Rob Ninkovich sealed a 29-26 win for the Pats when he sacked Jets quarterback Mark Sanchez and forced him to fumble.

New England trailed by three with less than two minutes remaining in regulation. Superstar quarterback Tom Brady connected on four passes in a drive capped by Gostkowski's 43-yard field goal as time expired, sending the contest into overtime.

Brady threw for 259 yards and two touchdowns. The Patriots had led by 10 points after three quarters, but Sanchez led scoring drives on all three of the Jets' possessions in the fourth to put them on top.

Sunday's action began with all four AFC East teams -- New England, the Jets, Buffalo and Miami -- at 3-3. At the end of the day, New England were on top.

Buffalo lost a heart-breaker at home, where Tennessee's Matt Hasselbeck threw a 15-yard touchdown pass to Nate Washington on fourth down with 1:03 left in the game to lift the Titans to a 35-34 victory. Miami were idle.

The Super Bowl champion New York Giants came out on top in an NFC East division clash against Washington.

The Jaguars suffered early injuries to both quarterback Blaine Gabbert and Maurice Jones-Drew.

In Tampa, Drew Brees threw four touchdown passes in the first half and the New Orleans Saints held on for a 35-28 victory over the Buccaneers.

In Houston, the Texans pounded Baltimore's injury-depleted defense en route to a 43-13 rout of the Ravens.

Aaron Rodgers guided Green Bay to a 30-20 victory over the St. Louis Rams, completing 30-of-37 passes for 342 yards and three touchdowns.

In other games, Minnesota beat Arizona 21-14, Dallas downed Carolina 19-14, Indianapolis beat Cleveland 17-13 and Pittsburgh beat Cincinnati 24-17.

## REMEMBER

to



**Buckle  
up**

### Three climbers die scaling volcano in Ecuador

QUITO (AFP) - Three mountain climbers tumbled to their death while scaling a volcano in Ecuador, authorities said Monday. Two other people also fell in Sunday's accident but survived. The five were climbing the difficult southern face of the Illinizas volcano, which peaks at 5,248 meters. The fatalities were Ecuadorans ranging in age from 22 to 34, police in the town of Machachi said. Rescuers had to go in on horseback Monday to recover the bodies because the terrain is so rough and there was no much fog on Sunday. The climbers slipped on a snowy slope, according to the official report on the accident.





**NEW LOCATION**

**Tropicana Casino  
Eagle Beach**  
Tel: 6604251

# BUSTER'S

## SPORTS BAR & GRILLE



**If it is a sport we will show it!**

Serving breakfast  
daily  
7:30 a.m.  
Late night menu available  
until 2 a.m.  
weekends

## “Freewater Project” a project especially for children!

For decades, the “Windsurfing” sport has been considered an elite sport. To date, it is a sport in which only a select few participate. This is unfortunate when we observe the fact that we are surrounded by water and a strong breeze which are excellent conditions for the development of this sport. It is in this vein that the government of Aruba held conversations with the legendary Jeroen Westrate. The intention is to gather a group of children who may want to learn windsurfing.

With this in mind the “Freewater Project” was launched which will be directed prima-



rily to children ages 10 to 12 years of age who are in the 5th or 6th grade in school. Children will be able to learn this sport from Jeroen and Mac, who are two professionals of

who is the actual World Champion in Freestyle. Aruba must take Bonaire as an example. Bonaire is taking advantage of their natural resources to develop and create healthy and



windsurfing. The windsurfing classes will be held at the Rodgers Beach in San Nicolas and at the Fisher Mans Hut in Oranjestad. The hours will be during the week after school.

The “Freewater Project” will hopefully stimulate children to become interested in windsurfing, give them the opportunity to learn the sport and stimulate them to practice a new sport. This opportunity will enable our children to diversify their choice of sports.

Aruba has produced international athletes like Jeroen Westrate and we are currently very proud of Sarah-Quita Offringa

competitive youth in windsurfing. According to Aruba’s Minister of Sports, Richard Visser, this “Freewater Project” complements the healthy schools concept and he is convinced that there is an interest for learning to windsurf. The “Freewater Project” has received the green light from the government and will be officially launched very soon. Young people and parents should be on the lookout for the launch of the program so they can sign up for the first classes geared especially to children ages 10 to 12 years.

## Giants and Cardinals game six



**Chris Carpenter #29 of the St. Louis Cardinals pitches against the San Francisco Giants in Game Six -**



**Marco Scutaro #19 of the San Francisco Giants hits a two-run double in the second inning - Giants won from the Cardinals 6-1 on Sunday.**

**THE MORNING NEWS**  
Your source for local news in English

**Ingrid Does**  
Manager

**Rosalinda Maduro**  
**Chandette Richardson**  
Editors

**Marline v.d. Linden**  
Asst. to the editors

**Rosalie Klein**  
Reporter/Photographer

**Yanis Garcia**

**Sales Representatives**

**Local news provider for**  
**visitaruba.com**  
**aruba.com**  
**caribseek.com**

**Int'l News provider:**  
**Agence France**  
**Presse (AFP)**

**Printed by**  
**Diario N.V.**

Tel: 588-9517 / Fax: 588-9518  
E-mail:  
themorningnewsaruba@gmail.com  
Website:  
www.themorningnewsaruba.com

www.themorningnewsaruba.com • themorningnewsaruba@gmail.com

# THE MORNING NEWS

Your Source for local news in English Caya G.F. Betico Croes 111 T. 588-9517 F. 5889518.

Your Source for Local News in English



## ADVERTISE

in **THE MORNING NEWS!**

Call office NOW @ **5889517** or

EMAIL: **themorningnewsaruba@gmail.com**

Pick up your printed copy from MON. -- SAT. at different locations all over the island or

visit us online: **www.themorningnewsaruba.com**

Caya G.F. Betico Croes 111





**Amazing views over Aruba,**

**Our Unique Location, Exquisite Italian Cuisine, Outdoor Bar, Warm Service and our Indoor and Outdoor tables make us**

**... The Experience you can't miss**

*Situated on the Hill of Hudishibana right next to the California Lighthouse*

**Open Daily at 8.30 AM serving a mini Breakfast, Lunch (11 AM) and Dinner (5.30 PM) . Happy Hour from 5 to 7 PM.**

**LIFE MUSIC DAILY FROM 7.30 TO 9.30 PM.**

**The Perfect Location for ALL Celebrations.**

*Please call 586 0786 for Reservations.*

**Ideal for Spectacular Sunset and views over Aruba Pictures.**





**Please present this ad for a 10% discount on your food selection.**

# Lance Armstrong Stripped of 7 Tour de France Titles, Banned for Life



GENEVA (AFP) - Lance Armstrong was on Monday stripped of his record seven Tour de France titles and given a life ban, as cycling's world governing body said the US rider should be permanently erased from the sport's history for doping.

The International Cycling Union (UCI) said it supported the US Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) decision to erase the rider's entire career after August 1, 1998, as president Pat McQuaid called the scandal "the biggest crisis" the sport had faced.

Cycling federations, race organisers and former riders broadly welcomed the decision as an inevitable step but the USADA said more needed to be done to stamp out doping

and restore the sport's credibility.

European cycling federations, race organisers and former riders on Monday broadly welcomed a decision to ban Lance Armstrong for life and scrub his record for doping, including his seven straight Tour de France titles.

Punishing Armstrong and riders who came forward to talk about his activities cannot be seen as "penance for an era of pervasive doping", Tygart added, calling for an independent truth commission to spur reform and break with the past.

The UCI earlier rejected a potentially lengthy legal challenge at the Court of Arbitration for Sport to the USADA claims and punishment against

Armstrong.

"The UCI will strip him (Armstrong) of his seven Tour de France wins. Lance Armstrong has no place in cycling... He deserves to be forgotten in cycling," McQuaid told a news conference in Geneva, saying he was "sickened" by the revelations.

The US body earlier this month released a devastating dossier on Armstrong, detailing over 202 pages and with more than 1,000 pages of supporting testimony how he was at the heart of the biggest doping programme in the history of sport.

The revelations, including evidence from 11 of Armstrong's former team-mates, plunged a sport which has been working hard to rid itself of its murky doping past into crisis.

McQuaid succeeded Hein Verbruggen as president of world cycling after Armstrong's seventh and final Tour victory in 2005 and is credited with boosting the body's anti-doping programme, notably with the pioneering blood passport scheme.

The Irishman was under pressure to answer how Armstrong and his teams managed to dope for so long without being detected. But he rejected calls to quit, vowing to continue his work against the use

of banned substances.

Armstrong's sporting reputation as the cancer survivor who fought back to win cycling's most gruelling and celebrated race has been shattered since the report was published.

On Monday, sunglasses manufacturer Oakley became the latest high-profile sponsor to ditch the fallen star.

There have also been fears of a wider withdrawal of financial backing for the sport after Dutch sponsor Rabobank said it was ending the sponsorship of its professional cycling team after a 17-year association.

The sponsor described professional cycling as "sick" to its core and unlikely to recover in the foreseeable future.

The strongly-worded comments went to the heart of claims of failings at the UCI and in particular to McQuaid, who has been criticised for failing to see the extent of doping within the sport.

Verbruggen, who stepped down in 2006 but remains honorary president, ran the UCI during Armstrong's golden era, amid claims that Armstrong and his team-mates evaded dope tests either by hiding or being tipped off in advance.

The Dutchman has also been accused of protecting

Armstrong -- even accepting a donation to cover up a positive dope test. McQuaid on Monday said the UCI "absolutely deny" that Armstrong bought off the body.

There were still calls for the UCI high command to quit, however, most notably from former Spanish rider Oscar Pereiro, who won the 2006 Tour de France after US rider Floyd Landis, Armstrong's former team-mate, was disqualified for doping.

Armstrong's remarkable cancer backstory and Tour triumphs from 1999 to 2005 were seen as key to restoring cycling's tattered image after a string of high-profile doping scandals in the 1990s.

Armstrong has yet to comment directly on the affair, saying only that recent weeks have been "difficult" and standing down as the head of the cancer foundation Livestrong that he set up in 1997 and which has raised more than \$500 million.

Meanwhile Dallas insurance company SCA Promotions is demanding the return of millions of dollars in bonuses paid to Lance.

SCA was seeking \$7.5 million paid out to Armstrong after a 2006 arbitration proceeding, which included a \$5 million bonus as well as legal fees and interest.